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F. Andrew Turley, Esquire Central Enforcement Docket Office of the General Counsel Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20463

Re:

Matter Under Review 4634 -- John and Ruth Stauffer

Dear Mr. Turley:

As counsel to John and Ruth Stauffer in the above-captioned matter (please see attached designation of counsel), this is a formal request for an extension of time to respond to the complaint received by the Stauffers on May 16, 1997. Accordingly, the initial 15-day period would expire on May 31. We would request a 20-day extension until June 20, 1997 to respond.

This extension is needed because of the necessity of contacting the numerous other parties named in the complaint, who are not in one central location. In addition, I have only recently been retained as counsel to Respondents and face an extremely crowded calendar in the next few weeks. Accordingly, I also respectfully request the extension in order to prepare a complete response.

For the above-cited reasons, Respondents request an extension until June 20, 1997 to respond to this complaint.

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Attachment

STATEMENT OF DESIGNATION OF COUNSEL

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authorized to receive any Commission and to act of $\frac{5/19/97}{2}$	individual is hereby designated as my notifications and other communication my behalf before the Commission. Suth I Stauffer Signature	
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